

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, sixty-five wondrous years ago on September 10, 1938, Lee Kern took the hand of his beautiful bride, Lois Robinson, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony officiated by the Reverend Leo M. Perry in Monett, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Lee and Lois Kern have had the pleasure of raising two children, Marlyn Dean Kern and Robert Lee Kern, and the privilege of spoiling eleven grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Lee Kern has compiled an impressive list of achievement that includes being a World War II veteran of the United States Navy, working for Carnation Milk for thirty-six and one-half years, and being a member of the Masons, the Scottish Rite, the Shriners, and the American Legion; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Lois Kern further distinguished herself through thirty-six and one-half years of service at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center in Mt. Vernon; and

Whereas, Lee and Lois Kern derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with the United Methodist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Kern, residents of Mt. Vernon, commemorated the truly glorious occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on September 7, 2003, at the First United Methodist Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Lee and Lois Kern for their tremendous success in achieving sixty-five years of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey forever walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kern, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Jack Goodman
District No. 132

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4137, adopted September 22, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker